

U.S. Application No. 10/560,933
Response and Amendment dated July 30, 2008
In response to Office Action dated July 10, 2008

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 10, 2008 (“Office Action”) required restriction to one of the following inventions:

Group I, claim(s) 1-15, 18-21, and 24, drawn to a catheter.

Group II, claim(s) 22 and 23, drawn to a method for the use of a catheter.

In response to this requirement, **Applicants elect examination of Group I, claims 1-15, 18-21, and 24, without traverse.** Examination on the merits is requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the elected claims for examination on the merits. A timely allowance of the pending claims is requested.

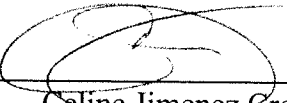
In the event that an appropriate fee amount is not enclosed by check for any fees due in connection with the filing of this Response or requisite extensions of time, please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1349.

Finally, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to discuss any matters that the Examiner feels may expedite the progress of the present application toward allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: July 30, 2008

HOGAN & HARTSON LLP
555 13th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004
Telephone: 202-637-5600
Facsimile: 202-637-5910
email: cjcrowson@hhlaw.com
Customer No.: 24633

By: 
Celine Jimenez-Crowson
Registration No. 40,357